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SUBJECT: ZAMBIAN ELECTIONS: KAUNDA WINS; SOME MINISTERS FALL

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- 1. IN TURNOUT BY 43 PERCENT OF ELECTORATE PRESIDENT KAUNDA SECURED WELL OVER 80 PERCENT OF VOTES CAST. HE SWORN IN FOR HIS THIRD TERM DECEMBER 7 AND EXPECTED NAME TEN NOMINATED MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT AND NEW CABINET SHORTLY.
- 2. IN PARLIAMENTARY RACES, THREE MINISTERS LOST -- CHAKULYA (LABOR), CHANGUFU (HOME AFFAIRS), AND KASUTU (NORTHERN PROVINCE). ELEVEN MINISTERS OF STATE DEFEATED -- THORNICROFT (TECHNICAL EDUCATION), NKOLOMA (RURAL DEVELOPMENT), SIKALUMBI (LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCES), LOLOMA (HEALTH), MAMBWE (NORTHERN PROVINCE), MONGA (LOCAL GOVERNMENT),

IMUWOWO (HOME AFFAIRS), VIBETTI (RURAL DEVELOPMENT), MUMBA (LUAPULA PROVINCE), SINYANGWE (EASTERN PROVINCE), AND NGOMA (PRESIDENT'S OFFICE). SOME OTHER STANDING MINISTERS VICTORIOUS BY ONLY RAZOR-THIN MARGINS.

3. FORMER FINANCE MINISTER ARTHUR WINA DEFEATED MININFO PERMSEC PUNSBANTU; EX-ANC LEADER HARRY NKUMBULA WON RESOUNDING VICTORY; AND LUSAKA MAYOR FLEEFORT CHRIWA AND COUNCILLOR MARY MWANGO SUCCESSFUL. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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4. BALLOTING WAS EXCEPTIONALLY PEACEFUL, THOUGH POLICE ON FULL

PRECAUTIONARY ALERT. LOW TURNOUT ASCRIBED TO APATHY AND FEELING VOTING "JUST A FORMALITY." NUMBER SPOILED BALLOTS (ONE INDEX OF DISSENT) NOT YET ANNOUNCED, BUT SIGNIFICANT "NO" VOTE AGAINST KAUNDA IN SOUTHERN PROVINCE EX-ANC STRONGHOLD ABOUT 37 PERCENT. STRONG BEMBA VOTE ON COPPERBELT BEST REFLECTED IN MINHEALTH CHIKWANDA'S

SURPRISINGLY EASY VICTORY OVER TWO STRONG OPPONENTS. IWILKOWSKI

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